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ACTION EA-14

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L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-10 PA-03 RSC-01 PRS-01 SS-15 SSO-00

NSCE-00 INRE-00 IO-12 DPW-01 AID-20 OMB-01 /139 W

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FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4056

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INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

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AMEMBASSY SAIGON

AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

AMEMBASSY WARSAW

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMCONSUL UDORN

USDEL JEC PARIS

USIA WASHDC

SECDEF

USDAO SAIGON

DIRNSA FT GG MEADE MD

CINCPAC

CINCUSARPAC

COMUSMACTHAI

DEPCHJUSMAGTHAI

CINCPACFLT

CINCPACAF

CDR USSAG NKP

CDR 13 AF ADVON UDORN

EII TFW KORAT

DOD SPECREP BANGKOK

DOD SPECREP NKP

CHSPECATS BANGKOK

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7 ACCS KORAT
354 TFW KORAT RTAFB
56 SOW NKP
432 TRW UDORN
CDR JCRC NKP
8 TFW UBON
ARMA/ AIRA VTN LAOS
ARMA/ AIRA SVKT LAOS

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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y FOR SUBJECT AND CAPTION

E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MOPS, PINS, PINT, PFOR, LA

SUBJECT: LAO SITUATION REPORT - MAY 11

CINCPAC FOR POLAD AND DWORKEN; 13 AF ADVON, 432 TRW, 56 SOW,
354 TFW, 388 TFW AND 8 TFW FOR DO/ DI; MACTHAI FOR J2 AND PAO.

BEGIN SUMMARY: MILITARY - NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED AND NO
RLAF SORTIES FLOWN ON 10 MAY. SEARCH FOR MISSING CONTRACT
AIRCRAFT YIELDS NO RESULTS. POLITICAL - NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
AND KING' S COUNCIL RECONVENE. ASSEMBLY SCHEDULED TO
ELECT OFFICERS MAY 12. END SUMMARY.

1. WE ARE, PURSUANT STATE 86952 (NOTAL), DISCONTINUING
SATURDAY ISSUE OF SITREP; BEGINNING MAY 14, MONDAY SITREP
WILL COVER THREE- DAY PERIOD, INCLUDING ENTIRE WEEKEND.

2. MILITARY SITUATION

A. ON 10 MAY, NO MILITARY INCIDENTS WERE REPORTED AND
RLAF FLEW NO SORTIES. LATE REPORT INDICATES THAT ON 9
MAY GOVERNMENT PATROLS HAD TWO BRIEF CLASHES WITH ENEMY
PATROLS ABOUT 23 KMS SOUTHWEST OF PAK BENG IN SAYABOURY
PROVINCE (MR- I). NO CASUALTIES REPORTED.

B. FIFTH DAY' S SEARCH FOR MISSING CONTRACT AIRCRAFT
YIELDED NO RESULTS. INTENSIVE SAR BEING DISCONTINUED,
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BUT SINGLE AIRCRAFT SURVEILLANCE OF AREA WITH LOCAL RADIO
OPERATOR WILL BE CONTINUED 12 MAY. ONE CONTRACT AIR-
CRAFT INVOLVED IN SEARCH SUSTAINED MINOR DAMAGE, 10
MAY, WHEN HIT BY SINGLE ROUND MACHINE GUN FIRE WHILE
FLYING ABOUT 40 KMS NORTHEAST OF BOUAM LONG.

3. POLITICAL SITUATION

KING, ON MAY 11, OPENED REGULAR SESSIONS OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND KING'S COUNCIL. IN SHORT SPEECH TO ASSEMBLY (PREPARED BY GOVERNMENT), KING CAUTIONED ASSEMBLY AGAINST ILL-ADVISED ACTIONS BY REMINDING DEPUTIES OF THE IMPORTANCE OF COOPERATION BETWEEN LEGISLATURE AND EXECUTIVE AT THIS CRITICAL TIME. ASSEMBLY WILL MEET TOMORROW TO ELECT OFFICERS. DEPUTIES WE TALKED WITH TODAY BELIEVE THAT PHOU SANANIKONE AND TIAO SOPSAISANA WILL BE RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT, RESPECTIVELY.
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